#### LATEST NEWS FROM EUROPE

POLITICAL DISCUSSION BECOMING PER LIVELY IN ENGLAND.

Indications of Stirring Times after Parlinment Assembles—Present Aspect of the Pranco-Chinese Troubles—Prospects of Peace in Europe—The Egyptism Governent's Counter Attraction to El Mandi-Fresh Literary and Dramatle Gossip.

LONDON, Dec. 8 .- We have had another week of tremendous speechmaking. Politieally we have not advanced further than last week, save that the conviction is deepened of the success of the radical section in the Cabinet, and that the session will open with a fran-chise bill extending to the three kingdoms. Obliders and Trevelyan have spoken in the same sense as Chamberlain of Irish claims. The speeches possess greater interest in the light they throw on the chief personages in the political drama which must follow Gladstone's death or retirement. Chamberlain daily ingreases in boldness, and the palpable differ ences between him and Hartington are suggesting many curious reflections. North note and Conservative journals call for s repudiation of Chamberlain's radicalism by the other members of the Cabinet and Salisbury has poured on Hartinglon's pliancy and inconsistency the most vitriolic and most effective epigrams almost of his whole life. It is inferred from these things that an attack in force on Chamberiain will be one of the first Conservative moves of the session, and shrewd admirers of Chamberlain whisper that this will just suit him, as his present game is to rule or ruin the Whigs Dilke, who used to be thought Chamberlain's most dangerous rival for the future Premier ship, says nothing, but busily employs himcelf in visiting those hideous London slums of political and journalistic sentimentality During one of these visits Dilke and his secre tary were robbed.

The refusal of Goschen to accept the Speakership on account of his semi-blindness induces discussions on the physical qualities of our chief men, and many journals declare that Gladstone is not only better mentally and morally than his colleagues, but also physically with his iron nerves and muscles and ostrichlike digestion. The grand old man, who has been felling trees and taking long walks in his sountry home, enters on his 74th year on the 19th. Arthur Peel, the new Speaker, is a tall, gloomy man with a very long and wooden face. and has never done anything particular.

The publication of the Franco-Chinese cor-

dence has damaged M. Ferry, the general impression being that the heathen Chines has not only been eleverer and more consistent but also more honest than his Christian oppo nents. The feeling of many even moderate sections in the Assembly has grown very hos tile to the Ministry. Lord Hartington's an nouncement that Germany would join England and other powers in protecting life and proparty in Chinese waters, while slightly explained away by a semi-official note, is taken to mean that in the event of war France will not be allowed to make anything like an effective blockade of Chinese ports. The strange pause in French operations suggests that both sides are in the same mood for fighting as the fuellist who begged his friend not to call the

The prospects of peace on the Continent are sace more bright. Two things are held to prove sonelusively that Russia won't fight; first, an amphaticassurance to that effect by the Emperer of Germany, and, secondly, the enormous

King Alfonso is highly delighted over the Crown Prince's visit and over his own rhetorical success, and has confided to a German interviewer that he knows he can speak with a bold and easy freedom. When he came to Spain as a youth of 18 he had to make a speech on horseback. "This," he added, "was my best speech, and ever since then I have always been ble to speak.

We have had an interesting literary and dramatic week. Lord Lytton's biography of his father, though it threatens to run into eight volumes, is intensely interesting. The great novelist had many curious love affairs. and knew and describes the chief men of his day. There is a capital letter of Disraeli's, in which, describing his own nature as indolent and melancholy, he writes lovingly of a luxarious time in Constantinople.

The general regret that Tennyson accepts a peerage is tempered by the announcement that he will retain his own name. An Edinburgh Presbyterian clergyman named

Macaulsy, who has never read a play of Shakespeare, and never entered a theatre, has discovered from the study of Shakespeare's sonnets that he was a Puritan of the strictest or der, and regretted ever having written a play. An old love of Alfred de Musset has just died in Paris. She refused the poet, married a Dutch banker, was very happy, and remained beautiful to the end.

"Claudian," produced by Wilson Barrett at the Princess's, is the most ambitious dramatic attempt for some years in England, and though faulty in execution has much poetry and beauty. The story is another version of the idea of The Wandering Jew." The scene, laid in Byzantium, louds itself to splendid decorations, which are produced with painstaking accuracy by Mr. Godwin, a great archeological authority, and one scene, representing the destruc-tion of the temples, buildings, and streets of a city, leaving Claud an alone untouched, is a

marvel of muchanical effect. The Albambra, the largest and fastest of our theatres, chiefly known for immense ballets on the stage and an abundance of the frail in the audience, has been opened successfully with an extravagant piece of fairy land called the "Golden Ring;" words by G. R. Sims and music

by Frederick Clay.

A dramatic version of Alubonse Daudet's Rois on Exite" has failed in Paris. There is talk of a visit to England of a Berlin comic opera company.

Binns, the new hangman, has been the subject of lively controversy, having bungled an execution last Saturday. He stoutly maintains his stanch tectotalism, but newspapers publish an account of a reception in a saloon the night before the execution in which he was largely interviewed and generously wined, and the thaplain declares he smelt strongly of drink

they did not talk theology, and she has not be-

come a Catholic. Colin Campbell's divorce case is to be heard in private, a proof of great influence or of very unpleasant details. The bankrupt Duke and Duchess of Teck

have settled in Florence, and are much sought.

The example of the Marquis of Londonderry, who has become a retail coal dealer, is followed by Lord Sudely, who is going to sell jam. Lord Salisbury, after his political exploits, will join his wife in giving entertainments dur-

ing the Christmas vacation.

Badinquet, who helped Napoleon III, to escape from Ham and gave him one of his many nicknames, has just died near Paris.

Thomas Burt, workingman's member of Par-

liament, writing of American trades unions, regrets two things in particular: That so many

are secret and that they rush with strikes.

Mary Anderson has proved so successful that probably she will take another London theatre when she has, at Easter, to give way to Lawrence Barrett.

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By the Associated Press.

London, Dec. 8.—The despatches received at Caire to-day attribute the failure of El Mahili to continue his advance on Khartoum to the breaking out of dissensions among the heads of the various tribes marching under his banners. Some of these advocate an advance upon Dongola, while others prefer an attack on Rhartoum. The two factions cannot agree on a plan of operations. Mudir, at Dongola, reports to the Egyptian Government, moreover, that a defection of the Kababbish tribos to the Mahili inevitably occur if that leader's forces continue their advance. Major Evelyn Baring has sent a despatch to Coetlogan insisting that an effort be made at once to communicate by means of emissaries with El Obeld, in order to ascertain the truth or falsity of the rumors that a portion of Hicks lasha's force is still entrenched at Berket: also to learn whether the Madhi will consent to give up the English officers who still remain prisoners in his hands, provided a sufficient ransom is paid. Zebehr Pasha, the agent of the Egyptian Government at Cordovan, has also received instructions to negotiate with the shickne who support Madhifor the release of all Egyptian prisoners. Coetlogan has been instructed to hold Khartoum until Baker Pasha formally orders him to evacuate it.

The Irish party is at present chieff; absorbed in its preparations for the banquet to Parnell in Dublin next Teesday. The Rotunda promises to be on that occasion the scene of a grand national demonstration. The Lord Mayor of Dublin will preside. The first toast will be. "Irish national party will be among the speakers. Covers will be laid for six hundred guests, and besides these the gallery will be concupied by about 600 ladies. Subscriptions to the Parnell testimonial fund are increasing rapidly, and it is expected that before Tuesday it will have reached £40,000. The friendly relations between Parnell and the English Radicals are

smphaticassurance to that effect by the Emperor of Gormany, and, secondly, the enormous segerness of the German public to invest in the new Russian Loan. Meantime, letters written in their own blood by Nihilist prisoners trickle into newspapers, and give horrible and heartrending accounts of their treatment.

The situation in Egypt is not yet clear. Baker Pasha has been sent toward Suakim, in spite of his earnest protests, and his gendarmes are said to have ceased deserting. The Egyptian Government has cut off every chance of active English support in reconquering the Boudan by employing Zebehr Pasha, the most notorious slave dealer in Egypt, who, after six years' imprisonmentin Cairo, is trotted out as a counter attraction to the Mahdi.

Things have an ugly look in India, where there has been the unprecedented exhibition of a Viceroy hooted by the English and cheered by the native population.

The Portuguese papers write against the Queen, the Prince of Wales, and English society generally for neglecting their Crown Prince, allowing him to go to a hotel, and not giving him a single reception or ball. The Empress of Austria is suffering from a severe attack of scalitica.

Max Müller writes to the Athenum that Charles Leland is doing a useful work among the red Indians of New Bruns-wick; that he has induced them to communicate to him all their traditions, national songs, and superstitions, and also the revival of American scholarship, and says that with men like Brinton Trumbuil, Horatio Hale, and Charles Leland, all the revival of American scholarship, and says that with men like Brinton Trumbuil, Horatio Hale, and Charles Leland, all the revival of American scholarship, and says that with men like Brinton Trumbuil, Horatio Hale, and Charles Leland, all the revival of American scholarship, and says that with men like Brinton Trumbuil, Horatio Hale, and Charles Leland, all the revival of American scholarship, and says that with men like Brinton Trumbuil, Horatio Hale, and Charles Leland, all the revival of Ameri

The English Transaction of the brokerably of the Princess Alice will not be published until next autumn.

Mme, Camille Selden, whose intimate relations with the poet Heine were never made a secret of, has issued an edition containing recollections of Heine's last days.

The Swiss Federal Council has sent to the different Governments of Europe the resolutions adopted by the late international conference in regard to the protection of artistic and literary property. It asks the Governments to take part in the diplomatic conference to be held in Berne next year.

Long, the Academician, has received £7,000 for his "Flight Into Egypt,"

Manager Hollingshead will establish a permanent French theatre in this city. Sarah Bernhardt and Judie will open it for the winter season.

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Manager Henderson has gained the novel suit brought against him by Elfreda, the nunfor a share of the profits from the rental of the Comedy Theatre. Elfreda stated in court that Henderson seduced her when she was 16 years of age; that they lived together as man and wife for several years; that she nursed him through a dangerous illness, and that she received from him in consideration a deed of moiety rental of the theatre. The defense set up was that the consideration given for the deed was immoral. This view prevailed with the Court.

The projected American tour of Materna, Scaria, and Winkelmann has lapsed, the Vienna Intendant-General baving refused his permission. Vienna Intendant-General baving refused his permission.
Gerson, the French agent, has purchased for \$9,000 the exclusive right to produce in America the spectacle, "Sieba," which is now being given in the Eden Theatre, Paris.

The King of Bavaria has given his consent to a repetition of "Parsifal" at Bayreuth this summer. Ten performances will be given.
Salvint announces his intention of making an American tour next year.

Connie Reeves, daughter of Sims Beeves, will make her delot in the Brighton Theatre. She is credited with a good voice and good looks.

### Disasters to Ocean Steamships.

LONDON, Dec. 8 .- The British steamer Queen, Capt. White, from Charleston for Reval which on Nov. 30 went ashore on the Island of Nargen, is full of water and lies in a dangerous position. The crew have landed at Reval.

The British steamer Monkseaton Capt. Weightman, from Waterfort for Beitimore white proceeding down the River Ruir, struck a rock which knocked a hole in her bottom. The steamer was run ashore to prevent her sinking. She has twelve feet of water in her hold

### The Orangemen and Lord Rossmore.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8 .- The half-yearly meeting of the Grand Lodge of Orangemen of Ireland has passed a strongly worded resolution, ad dressed to the loyalists of the British empire, resenting the insuit offered the loyalists of Ireland through the suspension of Lord Rossmore's commission, and asking all to stand by and for the integrity of the empire and the honor of the throne against rebellion.

The Papal Organ Consures the Irish Clergy LONDON, Dec. 8 .- A Rome despatch to the Times says that the Moniteur de Rome, the Papal organ, strongly censures the Catho clergy at Newry, Ireland, for their attitude during the recent agitation there. It especial ly condemns the sermon of Father MacCarten just before the hanging.

Ouida declares she breakfasted with Monsignor Cape! and found him delightful, but

to rebel and as a direct insult to the Catholic Church. The Moniteur de Rome also draws attention to a paragraph published in the United Ireland of Dublin asking its friends in London to furnish the addresses and biographies of the jurymen in the O'Donnell case, in order to enable their obituaries to be propared.

#### THE DUM. ON THE TIBER.

#### Both Principals Break the Rules and the Affair Ends to a General Metee.

From the Evening Telegram. ROME, Dec. 8. - The scandalous scene which caused such a sensation in the Italian Chamber on Thursday nearly had a tragic epilogue. Signor Lovito having reluctantly come to the conclusion that only blood could wash out the traces of Baron Nicotera's expectorations, a meeting was arranged for 11 A. M. yesterday The question as to weapons led to a heated discussion. Signor Lovito's seconds preferred

The question as to weapons led to a heated discussion. Signor Lovito's seconds preferred sabros, but Baron Nicotera's friends, thinking their man weak in the right hand, held out stubbornly for pistois. It was finally agreed to settle the dispute by drawing lots, and fortune favored Signor Lovito.

At the appointed hour the adversaries, accompanied by their seconds, repaired to the garden of a villa close to the Prato de Castello, on the banks of the Tiber. It was agreed that only the right hand should be used by the combatants, and on the seconds crying halt, the combat was to cease. In the excitement of the fight, however, these rules and regulations were forgotten. Hardly had the signal been given, when Nicotera made a furious lungs and wounded his adversary in the arm. The seconds instantly called a halt, but Signor Lovito, smarting with pain, took no notice, or did not hear, and, rusbing at Nicotera, struck him fully at the head. Nicotera raised his sabre to ward off the blow, and his opponent, anatching at it, got badly cut.

"Coward, assassin!" exclaimed Nicotera.

"Treason!" replied Lovito in a frenzy.

In the mélée which followed principals and seconds were hopelessly mixed. Nicotera was severely wounded in the face and hand. The alvarsaries were with difficulty separated, and Nicotera, it is said, had to be foreibly disarmed. Neither of the combatants was dangerously wounded. The public sympathy seems with Nicotera, but the affair is not likely to hasten the return to office or lead to the downfall of the astute and wily Depretis.

#### THE SITUATION IN SOUDAN.

Rebels Firing into Sunkim-El Mabdi De-manding Submission to His Authority.

LONDON, Dec. 8 .- The Standard's correspondent on board the British gunboat Skylark, in the Red Sea, sends the following: "Her Majesty's ship Amberwich, which has just been spoken, reports that all is well at Suakim. The rebels fire into the town nightly, but do no harm. Six hundred black troops made a sally from the town on Sunday and attacked the rebrom the town on Sunday and attacked the reb-els, with no definite result. The telegraph line to Jeddah has been cut, Arabs allege that Com-mander Moncrieff, the British Consul, is still alive. This story is not believed. The country toward the south is reported to be quiet. The Government is subsidizing the people." Carno, Dec. 7.—The desirability of the annex-ation of Egypt to Great Britain is now freely discussed.

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The Mudir of Donzola, in Upper Nubia, telegraphs to the Egyptian Government that the chiefs of the Kabbabish tribes assert that El Mahdi has demanded the submission of those people to his authority, but that the chiefs promise that they and their tribes will remain faithful to the Government.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—In response to the notification from the Porte that Turkey was about to send a fleet of war vessels to cruize in the Red Sea. Great Britain says that no objection will be made thereto, provided the Turkisk fleet will act in concert with the British squadron in those waters.

GERMANY AND THE VATICAN.

### Significance of the Crown Prince's Proposed

LONDON, Dec. 8. - The majority of the special despatches from Berlin to the London newspapers point to the proposed visit of the Crown Prince Frederick William to the Pope. and to the reinstatement of Bishop Blum to and to the reinstatement of Bishop Blum to his diocese in Limburg as events that indicate a conclusion of the difficulties between Prussia and the Vatican relative to Church affairs.

A Berlin despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company says the chief object of the journey of the German Crown Prince to Rome is to reciprocate cordial attentions which have been paid to the German imperial family by the royal family of Italy. The same despatch says that the Prince will also pay a visit to the Pope while in Rome.

MADRID, Dec. 8.—The Crown Prince Frederick William, on taking his departure for Seville yesterday, left gifts of 25,000 posetas to the servants of the royal palace, and 50,000 pesetas for the Spanish military asylums. The Prince reiterated his expressions of the great

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BERLIN, Dec. 8.—The question of the Crown Prince Frederick William visiting the Pope can only be considered after the meeting between himself and King Humbert shall have taken place.

THE ADVANCE IN TONGUIN.

French Troops Reconnoitring Near Bac Nink-A Chinese Junk Captured. Paris, Dec. 8.-Admiral Peyron, Minister of Marine, has received a despatch from Saigon, dated yesterday, saying that the French forces have reconnoitred to within two and a forces have reconnoitred to within two and a half miles of Bac-Ninb. Admiral Courbet reconnoitred the approaches to Sontay on the Red River on Nov. 23. The French captured a junk near Hai-Phong, which was laden with combustibles and had seven men on board. The sub-Governor of Hald-Zuong, having been suspected of acting in collusion with the enemy, has been sent to Salgon for trial. Admiral Courbet, in a private letter to the Governor of Cochin China, says that operations will soon be begun. He says, "We are eager to march."

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Admiral Peyron, Minister of Marine, has received a despatch from Admiral Galber, commander of the French forces in Madagascar waters, saying that the vessels of his floot have destroyed several ports of the Hovas on the east coast of the island, and landing parties from the fleet have destroyed the port of Marawella. Numerous fovers prevail among the French troops on shore.

La Liberte and Le National publish reservedly a statement to the effect that the Marquis Tseng, since sending his despatch to Minister Ferry on the 5th inst., called twice at the office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs for an answer, allowing it to be understood there that unless a roply were speedily forthcoming he would be obliged to demand his passports.

### Foreign Notes.

LONDON, Dec. 8 .- A balloon has been picked up at sea off the coast of Portugal, which conained a watch, an altitude indicator, 1,700 rels, and some clothing.

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The Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel, member of Parliament for Warwick, has consented to receive the nomination for the Speakership of the House of Commons.

BERNS, Dec. 8.—The authorities of the Canton of Valois have decided to reintroduce the death penalty as punishment for murder.

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Rumors are current here of another meeting of the Emperors of Germany, Russia, and Austria, as the result of the recent conference between M. de Giere, the Russian Foreign Minister, and Prince Bismarck.

### The Cast Toasting Emperor William.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 8 .- The Czar and the German Ambassador to Russia were among the notable personages present at the festival of St. George in the Winter Palace. The Grand Dukes Peter Nichallovitch and George Nichail-ovitch took the oath of allegiance. At the State banquet the Czar proposed a toast to the Em-peror William.

#### The Attempt to Murder M. de Lesseps. LONDON, Dec. 8 .- A Paris despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says M. Wennemackers, a Belgian engineer, has been arrested at Nice. Italy, upon suspicion of being the author of the attempt to murder M. de Lesseps by an infernal machine. A quantity of dyna-mite cartridges were found at his lodgings.

The Tribune of to-day contains a startling exposure of frauds in city contracts extending over a series of years, y which the taxpayers of New York have suffered losses of millions of dollars. The Fribune of to-morrow and succeeding days will contain further details of this corrupt system, which has grown to almost incredible proportions. Its disclosures are of vital importance to every one concerned in the welfare of the city .- Adv.

Monsignor Capel's Lectures.

Divorce and Family on two following Thursdays in Chickering Itali. Reserved scats. 21. Admission, 50 caus.—26.

#### A TALE OF THE WINTER SEAS THE BARK BENEFACTRESS LIES TEN

NEW YORK, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1883.

DAYS A WATERLOGGED HULK.

Apples the Caly Substitute for Water-Fig. tern Men Take to the Long Boat and are Never Heard Of-Seven Abide in the Wreck and are Saved by a State Line Steamer. Three days out from Larne, Ireland, and en days from this port, on Wednesday, Nov.

28, an hour after noon, the steamer State of Pennsylvania, Capt. Alexander Ritchie, sighted a sail on the port bow. The weather had been rough and the wind had recently shifted to west-southwest, leaving a heavy northwest sea running. Chief Officer James Thompson, who was on the bridge, made out with his glass two short, thick masts swaying about with the roll of a hulk which was below them, but was out of sight. On one of the masts, which, by the rigging was seen to be a mainmast, was a single yard. The upper spars had been caried away from both masts, and it was plain that the vessel was a complete wreck rolling in the trough of the sea. Capt. Ritchie was notified, and orders were given to head the Pennsylvania for the wreck. The wreck was at least nine miles away, and for nearly half an hour no sign of life about her could be made out. The hull was out of sight, except for an occasional moment, beneath the heavy waves that were breaking over it. Then, as Mr. Thompson watched it through his glass, he saw a man come up through the foam and apray about the shrouds on the foremast, and slowly climb aloft as the mast swung to and fro. When the man got up to the foretop he stopped, and braced himself in the rigging.

fro. When the man got up to the foretop he stopped, and braced himself in the rigging. Then, after a minute or two, a large white banner, with a deep red star in the centre, floated out in the wind, and the man dimbed slowly down and disappeared in a cloud of spray at the foot of the rigging.

The boatswain's whistle on the State of Pennsylvania brought all bands tumbling on deck. Second Officer George Dunlap was one of the first out. It was his privilege to take charge of the lifeboat, which Capt. Ritchie at once ordered away to save the man seen on the wreck. Volunters to man the boat were called for and Quartermaster Malcolm McDonaid and able seamen Matthew Bourlouara, John Fife, James Heron, William Hunter, Philip Curiey, and Robert Johnson were chosen from the gang who answered the call. The steamer ran down to within a quarter of a mile to the windward or southerly side of the wreck. From that distance the wreck looked as if a timber-laden brighad been waterlogged and then broken open, so that the huge logs had floated out and covered the sea on the weather side of har. On the forecastic forward, clinging to the rigging, as the clear solid water poured over it, seven men were seen.

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"I never saw as complete a wreck affect in my life except on one occasion," Mr. Thompson said yesterday. "I could see her frames like the ribs of a dead animal on the beach. It was har't to tell whether she would hold together until we could got a boat to her."

Watching the waves until the steamer floated or a moment on a level keel, Second Officer Dunian dropped his boat (No. 4) down on the lee side of the ship and instantly pulled clear, so that the waves should not dash him against her sides. Then, getting a fair start in the comparatively still water under her lee, he pulled down to the wreck and across its stern. He had to give it a wide berth because of the floating timber about it. On the lee side there was less timber because the wreck was drifting faster than the timber, but as he pulled up nearer he found, to his astonishment, that the mizzenmast was rolling in the water beside with its heel toward her stern, and that the whole atern of the vessel had been carried away as entirely as if it had been out off by a collision. Instead of a brig' the wreck was that of a bark.

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Roderick Campbell, and Neil McRea. They were for taking to the boat, and all the other seamen agreed with them. I endeavored to argue them out of it, telling them that the old halk had stood by us for nine days, and that it would be better to take our chances of rescue with her. But they believed that a sound five-ton long boat was safer than a bark with her whole stern broken off. They loaded in a fair share of the provisions, including about 190 pounds of the apples. Then we put in a commass, the sail was set, and, bidding us good-br, they sailed away, feeling very sorry for those who were left behind, but cheerful over their own prospects. They were then about 550 miles west of Capp Clear, at the southeast corner of Ireland. In the boat, besides the three fishermen I mentioned, were William McChillough, Wm. McKinney, Wm. Cahill, James McLelough, Wm. McKinney, Wm. Cahill, James McLelough, Wm. McKinney, Wm. Cahill, James McNelly, a boy. They urged me to go, but I said I would stand by the ship, and with me stood John Lindsay, mate; James Birkett, second mate; Nell Brown, carpenter; Thomas Newry, cook; Joseph Cairns, steward, and Alex, McLachlan, boy. They left at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, having provisions for three weeks. She was a good bont, but I doubt very much if she lived out the weather that followed.

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"That same night it came on to blow again as hard as ever, and the solid water began to pour over the forecastle where we stood. No one could sleep, though; for nine days none of us had slent more than a few minutes at a time. I did not get an hour's sleep in all that time. Some time in the night the forecastle deck above us opened up, and the next wave flooded us out of our only shelter. It seemed evident to us that the hulk was at last breaking up. We were sure that we would not last an hour longer, but we crept around under the port side of the forecastle, which partially sheltered us, and there waited. The waves poured over the deck above, and came pounding down on the main deck washing up around us, but sill we managed to cling to the hulk, and the hulk, what there was left of it, hung together. The morning came after a while, and then we saw that the poop deck had been carried away entirely. It was the tenth day we had rolled helplessly in the gale. We had gained and lost hope so often, and were so near dead from thirst, lunger, and exhaustion, that a feeling of apathy had taken possession of most of us, but when the weather cased a little we again hoped that we might still attract the attention of some passing vessel.

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"Not a sail had been seen so far, and night shut down as utterly hopeless as before. No one spoke or slept. We clung to our places and waited until the light of the eleventh day (Wednesday) appeared. At noon the mizzonmast, which had stood intact, fell over to starboard, splitting up the deek to the mainmast. There we stood watching the planks as they washed away one at a time, and waiting for the last one beneath our feet to follow the rest. I was thinking of this when something impelled me to take a look around the horizon. I did so, and saw a steamer heading for us, not six miles away. It gave us new life. Getting, out the ship's private banner, the largest flag on board. I elimbed the forerigging and set it, that they might know that life was still on board. I knew the risks the boat would run from the floating timbers that surrounded us, but the wonderful skill and quick judgment of Mr. Dunlap and his men were more than equal to the emergency."

The Benefactress was valued at \$20,000, and her cargo at \$9,000. Both were insured. Capt. Campbell had commanded her three years Cant. Campbell is a man of medium size, with dark hair, and clear blue eyes. He talks quietly, and with a distinct Seotch accent. He speaks in the highest terms of his treatment on the Pennsylvania, which landed him and the six others here yesterday.

#### KEEPING UP THE FIGHT.

A Lawsuit that Survived the Contestants and Became the Legacy of the Heirs. NEWPORT, Dec. 8 .- The interminable conest of William Beach Lawrence against Richard M. Stalgg has just assumed a new aspect. The on international law, and the defendant was a distinguished artist of Boston. The case has been in the courts over twenty years. It finally killed both parties to the suit. In 1862 Mr. Stalgg bought from Lawrence a fine lot of land on Ochre Point, which is now covered with millionaires' mansions. Mr. Staigg agreed to pay about \$2,000 for the land. After he to pay about \$2,000 for the land. After he had received the deed it was discovered that there were more feet in the lot than had been paid for, there having been an error in measurement. The value of the land had meanwhile rapidly increased, and Lawrence used the wrong measurement as a pretext to get the land back. Staigg refused to give it up, and Lawrence began suit, but was defeated, the Court simply ordering Staigg to pay the difference with interest. Then appeal after appeal was taken. New suits and counter suits were entered, and the matter became a cause celebra, remaining in the State courts over twenty years. Finally, just before Gov. Lawrence died, the Supreme Court decided against him, and Mr. Staigg got the land, the value of which had increased to Lawrence died, the Supreme Court decided against him, and Mr. Staigg got the land, the value of which had increased to some \$45,000. Then Mr. Staigg died too, and the land was sold by his executor to Mr. Pierre Loriliard, Mr. Atkinson of Boston, the executor of Staigg, then brought suit against Mr. James N. Platt of New York and Mr. James G. K. Lawrence, executors of Gov. Lawrence, to recover \$20,000 damages by reason of being kept out of the property for so many years. Platt's counsel has endeavored to have the case removed to the United States Court will, in a day or two, render a decision upon the motion of Atkinson's counsel to remand the case to the State courts. It is believed that this case will be fought with equal bitterness, the executors simply taking up the weapons of the two combatants.

# PLANNING TO CONSOLIDATE.

# The Petroleum and Petroleum and Mining

Exchanges Seeking to Become One. Conference committees, recently appointed by the New York Petroleum and the New York Petroleum and Mining Stock Exchanges to formulate a plan of consolidation, reported to the two bodies yesterday. The plan agreed upon by the committees is to merge the two in the New York Petroleum and Mining Stock Exchange. For the present, and until suitable quarters can be obtained, both rooms now occupled by the Boards will be utilized, as neither Board room is sufficiently large to accommodate all the members of both. The members are to come together upon equal financial footing, so far as their seats are concerned, except that the gratuity fund of the New York Exchange is to remain at \$4,000 per member, and that of the Patroleum and Mining Stock Enchange at \$8,600. The distinction is made on account of the difference in assets of the two bodies. The New York has \$79,100 in its treasury and a surplus gratuity fund of \$7,000, a total of \$6,000, while the Petroleum and Mining Exchange has \$134,000 in its treasury, a building fund of \$80,000 and a surplus gratuity fund of \$70,000, a total of \$284,000. The membership of the former is \$00 and of the latter 1,300.

The report was favorably received by the Petroleum and Mining Stock Exchange and referred to its Governing Committee for action. It was less favorably received by the New York Exchange, and after some sharp and rather acriminous discussion as to the power of the meeting to act upon the proposition, it was decided that a special meeting to act upon it should be called for Tuesday next. Board room is sufficiently large to accommodate

### Bitten by a Boar.

WATERBURY, Conn.. Dec. 8.—At Watertown this morning John Atwood, a farmer, was attacked and bitten by a boar, the tusks meeting through the hand. The bite is feared in that region as much as that of the bite of a unad dog since Glover Dayton of the same town, a few years ago, was bitten in the leg by one of them and died soon afterward, the limb putrefying horribly from virus.

### How to Make a Generous Gift.

# Books as Presents. A large variety of Bibles, prayer books, and albums at very low prices. The new "libstrated Historical Family Record" is a very appropriate and useful gift. See them at Mr. T. Kelly's, 263 6th av., near 17th st., or at the factory 3.5 and 360 Brooms st., near Elizabeth. No more Bibles or prayer books sold in Barclay st.—4.69.

recommend themselves to every class of smokers on account of their superior quality and great economy. They give the best possible smoke for least possible money. One trial will convince you. 5 for 10 cents— 4dr. Canvas Backs

Winter Clonks, Dolmans, &c., on Credit. Any lady can obtain some of the finest garments is America at J. T. Kelly & Co.'s, private entrance, 397 80 av., and pay for them weekly, monthly, or otherwise. 4ds.

Cured without knife, powder, or saire. No charge until cured. Wgits for rafatement. Dr. Corkins, 11 E. 20th. -44v.

### POSTAL TRLEGRAPHY

# The Bill which Congressman Anderson with Soon Present to Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 .- Congressman An derson of Kansas has revised the Postal Tele graph bill introduced by him last session, and will introduce it in the House at the earlies opportunity. The bill authorizes the Postmas er-General to construct and operate three main lines of telegraph. The northern line is o extend from Bangor to St. Paul via Augusta Portland, Portsmouth, Boston, Worcester Springfield, Albany, Syracuse, Auburn, Roches ter, Buffalo, Cieveland, Toledo, Fort Wayne, Chicago, and Madison. Branches are to be run

Chicago, and Madison. Branches are to be run from Boston to Concord. and via Providence and New Haven to New York. Many other branches are provided for.

The central line is to extend from New York city to Topeka, Kansas, via Philadelphia, Harrisburg. Pittsburgh, Columbus, Richmond, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, St. Louis, Jefferson City, and Kansas City, with several branches. The southern line is to extend from Baltimore to San Antonia, Texas, via Washington, Richmond, Petersburg, Raleigh, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta, Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans, Houston, and Austin, with branches. The total length of the lines will be 9,110 miles, which, at the maximum estimate of \$400 per mile, will cost \$3.644,000.

Telegraph stamps are to be sold like postage stamps. The rate for transmission by the Morse method shall be thirty cents for ten words or less, exclusive of address or signature; and three cents for each additional word.

#### FOILING A BURGLAR.

An Indianapolis Lawyer's Tougue More Ef-fective than his Visitor's Pietol. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 8 .- Last night Mr. A. B. Young, an attorney, was aroused from sleep by the glare of a light in his face. When he opened his eyes he saw a man standing by his bedside, wrapped in a long black coat and wear-ing a slouch bat drawn down over a pair of rather reguish gray eyes, which looked straight into his own. In his left hand the man held a into his own. In his left hand the man held a dark lantern, in his right he held a big revolver, cocked and directed at Mr. Young's head.

"Keep still or be blowed," said the burglar coolly, and then he said that he came for money, and wanted to know quickly where to get it.

Mr. Young began a chat with the intruder which lasted fifteen minutes. Young had no money, except 75 centa, which the burglar declined to take. He then became communicative, but kept Young covered with his revolver all the time.

"Your police ain't worth — room," he said.
"I could go through any house between College avenue and Washington streat and escape."

lege avenue and Washington street and escape."
In the mean time the children had been aroused and began to scream. Mr. Young, convinced that his visitor intended no harm other than robbery, told the children to keep quiet. Just then one of them ran into the room and stopped near the burglar, who placed his hand upon the child's shoulder and told him to get back to bed, as he would not harm him. The child obeyed. Then the burglar, concluding there was nothing to be gained, backed down stairs and withdrew. Mr. Young says his visitor was the coolest man he ever met.

#### LIEUT. WALKER'S FATAL FALL. Dropping Thirty-five Feet, and then Locked

NEWPORT, Dec. 8 .- First, Lieut, Leverett H. Walker, formerly of the Fifteenth Infantry, and now of the Fourth Artillery, stationed at Fort Adams, is at the point of death in the hospital. owing to a fall from a three-story window. Some of the unmarried officers have rooms over the drug store of Caswell & Massey, on Thames street, which they occupy when in town over night. The rooms are on the fourth floor. Last night Lieut Walker remained in town, Between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning. Mr. Hay, the night clerk in the drug store, heard groans in the back yard. He went out and found Lieut, Walker, who some hours before had tumbled down from the third-story window, which is between thirty-flve and forty feet high. It has been Mr. Walker's custom, if he had not his key, to step out of the passage on the fourth floor on to the wide cornice, and get into his room from there. Last night from some unaccountable cause he did not reach the fourth story, but opening the window on the third story stepped out and fell into the yard below. He was taken to the police station, and through the blunder of the man in charge was locked up in a cell. The mistake was discovered, and the City Physician was sent for.

His left lite, shoulder, and collar bone were broken, and he had sustained internal injuries. He was taken to Fort Adams, where the bones were set. Most of the day he has been unconscious. The physicians have very little hope that he will live. Thames street, which they occupy when in

# AN INTERESTING LEGAL QUESTION.

New in this Country, but Once Decided in England in a Suit against Dickens, Boston, Dec. 8 .- Judge Holmes to-day eard a bill in equity brought by the administrator of the late Gearfield Learned against the publishers of the Boston Shipping List, praying that a receiver be appointed to sell the paper and distribute the proceeds. The defendants contend that when Mr. Learned died his interest in the newspaper ceased, and that the good will of the same does not survive. The plaintiff claims that the good will of the paper is very valuable, and that Mr. Learned's estate is entitled to its proportionate share of the amount it would bring at auction. The Judge reserved his decision. As far as known the point invoved has never arisen before in this country, but the same question was decided in Engiand in 1859 in a suit brought against Charles Dickens. The Master of the Rolls then held that the right to use the name of a publication must be sold for the benefit of all parties, it being a part of the partnership assets. that a receiver be appointed to sell the paper

The Pate of a Ship's Crew. San Francisco, Dec. 8 .- Capt. Hutchinson of the German bark Gertonda, now in this port, tells the story of the fate of the crew of a vessel whom he discovered dead with scurvy over six years ago. He say covered dead with scurry over six years ago. He says that in September, 1877, he was in command of the ship Hannah Rice, bound for a Chinese nort. During a heavy storm he ran for shelter under Big Schenty Island, of the China coast. He found a small vessel Iving close to shore, with not a soul aboard. A part of the cabin was afterward discovered half a mile distant from the vessel, and on the floor of which the remains of four men were found dead from servey. The shandoned vessel proved to be the Sellie, with a Captain and seven men. The log showed that she had left the Silerian coast on a gold-hunting expedition several months previously. The dead men proved to be Thomas Thompson Captain; Fullip Brown, the first mate, and the sailors.

Benjamin Baldwin, the heaviest man in Troy. died yesterday morning. He weighted 350 pounds, and was for twenty years proprietor of the Yorkshire House The Rev. George W. Nelly, the well-known Methodisi The Rev. George W. Nolly, the well-known Methodist. Minister, died at Ashland. Va., vesterday mornior, aged 80 vears. He had been over fifty years in the ministry. The Hon., Sir. Richard Paul amphibit. Baron of the Court of Exchequer, is dead. He was born in 1859, and was educated at Cambridge. Called to the bar in 1854, he gained an extensive practice, and sin 1859 received the silk gown. He became a Maristrate and Deputy Lieutenant for Worcestershire, and m 1868 was chosen member of Parliament from that county. In 1874 was unade Baron of the Court of Exchequer, being with the exception of Lord Cranworth, the only equity harrister who, in modern times, has been promoted to a seat on the Common Law Hench.

The Earl of Crawon is dead. He was 42 years of age.

Capt. Macomber's Chest Picked Up at Sea. The schooner James R. Talbot, which arrived totween Cape Hatteras and Chesapeake Bay. The chest contained clottles and papers made out in the name of Capt, John Macomber of the brig Wild Horse, from Pricton, Nova Scotia, for Portland. The chest apparently had been in the water only a few day.

The bark Antonio Sala, Capt Mitchell, from Havana, arrived here on Friday. She encountered head winds and gales almost all the way and was twelve days in reaching Cape Hatteras. She was obliged to lay to for 72 hours in the Gulf Stream under a northeaster that kept her flooded continually. The mate was all but washed overboard, and owed his escape to catching the staysait sheet. On Dec. 1, and again on Dec. 4 she met storms which drove her back each time into the Gulf Stream.

### SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

The jury in the case of Frankin Monroe, on trial in Wilkesbarre for the murder of Samuel McNeal at huminok's Creek, Pa. returned a verdict yesterday attention of not guilty.

The mills run by water power in the neighborhood of Dover, N. ii., are in operation only part of the time. Cochece Mill No & shut down yesterday for three weeks owing to a lack of water.

Judge Holmes of Boston yesterday dismissed the bill in equity brought by Jededlah Briggs against the Cape Cod Holp Contain the Jededlah Briggs against the Cape Cod Holp Canal Combiany to restrain the defendants from entering upon and taking the plaintiff sland.

An unknown man entered the house of E. Clark, near Owensburg, Ky., early on Friday and attacked his daughters with a club. He was killed by Henry Bumpers, who was stopping in the house. There was a picture on his person taken in Sweden, but nothing to reveal his isentity. Hwis supposed to have been insane.

The Pioneer Telephone Company has add its franchises and property to the New England Telephone Company has had control of the Kostos and Lowell extra territorial business and its contract for this had two more years to run. It has been paying over N per cent. Ayviends.

#### OVERWORKED MR. CARLISLE.

THE NEW SPEAKER HAS PLENTY TO DO AND NO PLAYSPELLS.

# Waylaid Wherever he Goes by Place Seekers

-Many Rival Candidates for the Commit-tees which will Not be Named for a While. WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 .- The salary of the Speaker is \$8,000. The honor and power of the office are priceless; while the work, bother, vexation, and responsibility of it are enormous.

Mr. Carlisle came down from the Capitol tonight pale and weary. He had been at the Speaker's room all day. Great piles of letters awaited him. A hundred or more members sought him. Business urged itself on him, and he had not a moment's time to give to the most important business he has at hand-the

formation of the committees. But Mr. Carlisle found no peace at his hotel. Langtry's agent headed him off first. "Have you decided what night you and Mrs. Carlisle will accept the box at Langtry's performance?" asked the agent.

"No. Haven't thought of it. Forgot all about it. If you want Mrs. Carlisle to go you'll have to speak to her. I shall forget all about it." "What, forget Langtry, Mr. Speaker : "asked

"Who is he, anyway?" asked the perplexed statesman. "I have no time to see or hear these actors."

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Next a member cornared the Speaker. He wanted a committee place. Then a one-armed man hoped he would get the Speaker's endorsement for a messengership. Then somebody wanted a brief conversation of an hour with him. Then Senator Bowen talked tariff with him. Then semebody from the Preific slope asked for an appointment to hear the delegation from California set forth its wishes respecting the committee places. At last the Speaker, almost wornout, found himself in his private rooms. But there was no peace. The colored Ganymeds kept up a constant banging at his door, and cards by the diozen were sent in othe Speaker. She ards by the diozen were sent in to the Speaker.

Mr. Carlisle soes everybody and submits patiently to an infinite amount of boring because he regards it as his duty. But he says that on Monday he shall shut himself up and begin to arrange the committees. This is the important topic here now. Tariff and free trade, Presidential possibilities, and such matters are not heard of. The all-absorbing topic with members is the committees.

Under the arbitrary and refined red-tapelsm that rules the lower House the committees have become, next to the Speaker, the real sources of power and influence. The tyranny of committee sway in the lower House is absolute. A Speaker can make or break a man by his appointment of him on committees. In the last session, Kelfer, to gratify the grudges of Don Cameron, put Gov, Curtin on a most insignificant committee, and reduced the influence of the old war Governor to abset sly nothing. Mr. Hewitt of New York was handicapped and curtailed in the same way. A member gets the eye and ear of the Speaker only through his committee roam in secret. The committees can need to stifle legislation, and members on the Governor to be stely nothing. Mr. Hewitt of New York was handicapped and curtailed in the same way. A member gets the eye and ear of the Speaker only through his committee. Calinet officers use of the source of th

So many new members are here that Mr. Carlisle says it will take some time before he can discover where they ought to be put. It is probable, therefore, that he will not be ready to announce the committees before the latter probable, therefore, that he will not be ready to announce the committees before the latter part of next week, and possibly he may not do so until after the holiday recess.

The Republican Caucus Committee of the Senate has been arranging the committees today. As much competition exists in the Chamber of traditional dignity as in the House for good committee phaces. In addition to all the other advantages the chairmanship of a committee practically gives to the Senator holding its private secretary at public expense. No Senator has yet been found who objects to this arrangement. Mr. Sherman seems likely to fail in his effort to punish Mr. Morrill for young for the reduction of the wool duty by dusting him from the Chairmanship of the Finance Committee. To ever his retreat Mr. Sherman is said to be looking at the chair of the President pro tem. Nobody disputes Mr. Laphano's right to the Chairmanship of the Woman Suffrago Committee, though Mr. Lapham would be glad to make a trade with any other Chairman.

### New Buildings in St. Paul.

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Sr. Paul, Dec. 8.-The official building record ST. PAUL, Dec. S.—The official building record shows that 84,470,000 was expended upon new buildings in St. Paul during the summer season. This amount will be increased to \$11,039,000 when the buildings now in progress are fluished. The record shows that over 15,000 residences were built, costing \$4,750,000, and that 443 business blocks, costing over \$7,90,000, are in process of completion. Among the buildings started are a \$1,000,000 of the control of the cost over \$7,00,000, and four others, costing over \$50,000 each.

## Eloping with Her Pather's Hired Man.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 8 .- Laura Skellings, the sixcon-year-old daughter of Eben Skellings, a wealthy man, who lives near Springfield, has cloped with James Rogers, a good-looking young fellow, who has been in Skellings's cumpley for several years. Laura followed Rogers to Virginia, where he went some days ago on a visit. Her parents received a letter from her last night in which she said that she loved Rogers and would marry him.

# The Signal Office Prediction

Colder, fair weather, preceded by light rains;

### JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Lake George sends \$1 to THE SUR for the " Pilot Boat Knoter, Bird & Co have mortgaged their building, at Worth and Chatham streets, to George Ehret, the brewer, for \$49,000. for \$49,999. The New York Association of Cornell University will have its annual dinner and elect officers on Friday evening, Dec. 14, at Martinelli's.

Billy Birch, the minstrel, has conveyed his residence, No. 130 West Third street, to his wife, Margaret V. Birch, through Cutharine A. Brown. The Board of Aldermen voted, yesterday, not to buy for \$10.00 Leutze's painting of Washington's entry into New York, on November 25, 1783.

The contributions received at the Maritime Exchange for the relief of the families of the juicts to to Columbia, No. 8 amounted yesterday to \$4,000. James Thompson -- Christians cards, chromos, and chotographs are admitted free of duty into Great Brit-tin. The only cards on the tariff hat are playing cards. ain. The only cards on the tarin has are playing cards.
Mary Jackson, a negress 90 years old, itsing at 11 Carmine street, was run over at mixth avenue and Third street yestering by a truck. Her right arm was broken.
Joe Pendergast will have a benefit at Charendon Hall on Monday evening, and will wind up with Frof. Watson. He still wants to fight Sullivan for from \$1,900 to \$2,500 a side. 22.000 a side

The Cygnus of the Iron Steamboat Company left
Pier I Surft River, has night, for Jacksonville Pia. She
is to ply regularly on the St. John River, tetween
Jacksonville and Falatks.

The mails which should have been forwarded to Perto
Rico by the steamer Alpa yesterday were left on the
pier brad, the steamer[eading without them. They were
afterward just on the baratoga.

Judge Ponoduc has annulled the marriage of Caroline
24 Gilbart and the W. Lithert because of a former marriage of the inter which is still in force. Judge Truas
has divorced Charles Brodek from Emilie Brodek.

Francesco R. Fortario, fr. a young Razilian feel Francesco R. Furtardo, Jr., a young Brazilian fell down stairs yesterday at the office of hurdett a Pond, 174 Water street, and suffered a slight concussion of the brain. He was taken to the Chambers birect Hospital.

Inspector Esterbrook ordered, yesterday, that altera-tions be made in the almabuse hospital, on Biachwell's Island, where the furnace, snocks and heating pipes and range are not properly protected from the surrounding woodwork. Martin Cannon of 373 West Fifty-second atreet, the driver of the University place car that knocked down and killed Mr. Nicholae Mary on Friday night, was re-leased from Jefferson Market fail yesterday. Ball in \$1,500 was furnished by the President of the railroad. Ovington Brothers' new aix story building five minutes walk from the bridge filed with fine china crystal, bronnes clocks, and beautiful ornamental goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Fulton st., Brock-lyn.—46s.

Lady's Bondoir .- Take away those hoots; they are fellows. Bring us Dr. Bull's Cough syrup,"-4ds.